



## St. Mark's Lutheran Church



IN-PERSON SUNDAY SERVICE  
(AT THE TABLES NEAR THE GYM)  
March 28, 2021  
Palm/Passion Sunday  
St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Hacienda Heights

### SERVING TODAY

PASTOR: the Reverend James Mericle  
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY: Karla Devine  
SINGERS: Blake Do, Maddie Do, Audrey Cotton  
INSTURMENTALIST: Rylee Birtja, Garrett Birtja, Sawyer Birtja  
LECTOR: Leilani Rodriguez  
CHILDREN'S SERMON: Lynn Yann  
\*CONGREGATION READS

### WELCOME AND THEMES OF THE DAY

Welcome to worship here at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. It is a blessing to have you here! We are now entering the final week of the Lenten season, what is known as Holy Week. We follow Jesus in his last week of life, beginning with today, Palm Sunday, which starts with shouts of joy and hosannas and ends with shouts of (Crucify Him!). Our theme for the season has been Promises Made, Promises Kept, as we have looked at the promises or covenants God made with us and with Israel. Today, we look at the Promise of Emptying based on the early Christian hymnal creed from Philippians 2, and what it can mean for how we live today.

Please complete the connect card that was handed out to you and place in the offering plates if in person and, if online, please click on the link and complete: [St. Mark's Lutheran Church – Connect Card \(stmarkshh.com\)](http://stmarkshh.com). Blessings to you!

+ GATHERING (Assemble on the blacktop near the Day Care building)  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

+ PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL                      Mark 11:1–11

The holy Gospel according to Mark, the 11th chapter.  
Glory to you, O Lord

<sup>1</sup>When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples <sup>2</sup>and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’”  
<sup>4</sup>They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, <sup>5</sup>some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” <sup>6</sup>They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it.  
<sup>7</sup>Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it.  
<sup>8</sup>Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup>Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!  
<sup>10</sup>Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!” <sup>11</sup>Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

+ BLESSING OF PALMS (assembly is invited to raise their branches)

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. (A brief silence is kept)

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

+ PROCESSION

Let us go forth in peace,  
In the name of Christ. Amen.

(As you follow the processional cross and choir into the sanctuary you are invited to sing the gathering hymn while holding up you palms and proceed to the chancel steps to lay your palms before the altar before finding your seat for worship.)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN    All Glory Laud and Honor    ELW 344  
Stanza 1, 3-5

Refrain

All glory, laud, and honor  
to you, redeemer, king,  
to whom the lips of children  
make sweet hosannas ring.

1 You art the king of Israel  
and David's royal Son,  
now in the Lord's name coming,  
our King and Blessed One. Refrain

3 The multitude of pilgrims  
with palms before you went:  
our praise and prayer and anthems  
before you we present. Refrain

4 To you, before your passion,  
they sang their hymns of praise.  
To you, now high exalted,  
our melody we raise. Refrain

5 Their praises you accepted;  
accept the prayers we bring,  
great author of all goodness,  
O good and gracious King. Refrain

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ANTHEM    Hosanna – arr. Burkhardt

CHILDREN'S SERMON

READING Philippians 2:5-11

Christ did not act to attain status and glory but was obedient to God even to the point of death. Following Christ's example, we do not seek personal status or glory but care for others as God cared for us in Christ's death.

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
<sup>6</sup>who, although being in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
<sup>7</sup>but relinquished it all,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness. And being found in human form,  
<sup>8</sup>he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.  
<sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name  
that is above every name,  
<sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
<sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God, the Father.

Thanks be to God.

#### MESSAGE "The Emptying Promise"

+ HYMN OF THE DAY

Bless Now, O God, the Journey

ELW 326

- 1 Bless now, O God, the journey  
that all your people make,  
the path through noise and silence,  
the way of give and take.  
The trail is found in desert  
and winds the mountain round,  
then leads beside still waters,  
the road where faith is found.
- 2 Bless sojourners and pilgrims  
who share this winding way;  
your hope burns through the terrors,  
your love sustains the day.  
We yearn for holy freedom  
while often we are bound;  
together we are seeking  
the road where faith is found.
- 3 Divine eternal lover,  
you meet us on the road.  
We wait for land of promise  
where milk and honey flow,  
but waiting not for places,  
you meet us all around.  
Our covenant is written  
on roads, as faith is found.

+ APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

+ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

The petitions conclude:

Hear us, O God. *Your mercy is great.*

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*\*Amen.*

+ THE LORDS PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

+ PEACE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### + BLESSING

You are what God made you to be:  
created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
chosen as holy and beloved,  
freed to serve your neighbor.  
God bless you ✝ that you may be a blessing,  
in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.  
Amen.

### PASSION GOSPEL Mark 14:1–15:47

The passion according to Mark the 14th and 15th chapters.  
Glory to you, O Lord.

The passion story in Mark's gospel presents Jesus as one who dies abandoned by all. He shows himself to be the true Son of God by giving his life for those who have forsaken him.

<sup>1</sup>It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; <sup>2</sup>for they said, "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people." <sup>3</sup>While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. <sup>4</sup>But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? <sup>5</sup>For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor." And they scolded her. <sup>6</sup>But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. <sup>7</sup>For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. <sup>8</sup>She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. <sup>9</sup>Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

<sup>10</sup>Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. <sup>11</sup>When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

<sup>12</sup>On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" <sup>13</sup>So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, <sup>14</sup>and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' <sup>15</sup>He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." <sup>16</sup>So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

<sup>17</sup>When it was evening, he came with the twelve. <sup>18</sup>And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." <sup>19</sup>They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" <sup>20</sup>He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. <sup>21</sup>For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."

<sup>22</sup>While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." <sup>23</sup>Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. <sup>24</sup>He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. <sup>25</sup>Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

<sup>26</sup>When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. <sup>27</sup>And Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.'

<sup>28</sup>But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." <sup>29</sup>Peter said to him, "Even though all become deserters, I will not." <sup>30</sup>Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."

<sup>31</sup>But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same.

<sup>32</sup>They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." <sup>33</sup>He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. <sup>34</sup>And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake."

<sup>35</sup>And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. <sup>36</sup>He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want." <sup>37</sup>He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? <sup>38</sup>Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

<sup>39</sup>And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. <sup>40</sup>And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. <sup>41</sup>He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. <sup>42</sup>Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane

ELW 347

1 Go to dark Gethsemane,  
all who feel the tempter's pow'r;  
your Redeemer's conflict see.  
Watch with him one bitter hour;  
turn not from his griefs away;  
learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

<sup>43</sup>Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. <sup>44</sup>Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard."

<sup>45</sup>So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him.

<sup>46</sup>Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. <sup>47</sup>But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. <sup>48</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? <sup>49</sup>Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled." <sup>50</sup>All of them deserted him and fled.

<sup>51</sup>A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, <sup>52</sup>but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

<sup>53</sup>They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. <sup>54</sup>Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. <sup>55</sup>Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. <sup>56</sup>For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. <sup>57</sup>Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, <sup>58</sup>We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.' <sup>59</sup>But even on this point their testimony did not agree. <sup>60</sup>Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" <sup>61</sup>But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?" <sup>62</sup>Jesus said, "I am; and

'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.'"

<sup>63</sup>Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "Why do we still need witnesses?"

<sup>64</sup>You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" All of them condemned him as deserving death. <sup>65</sup>Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophecy!" The guards also took him over and beat him.

<sup>66</sup>While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. <sup>67</sup>When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth." <sup>68</sup>But he denied it, saying, "I do not know or understand what you are talking about." And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed.

<sup>69</sup>And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." <sup>70</sup>But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean." <sup>71</sup>But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know this man you are talking about." <sup>72</sup>At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.

<sup>15:1</sup>As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. <sup>2</sup>Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so."

<sup>3</sup>Then the chief priests accused him of many things. <sup>4</sup>Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." <sup>5</sup>But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

<sup>6</sup>Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. <sup>7</sup>Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. <sup>8</sup>So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. <sup>9</sup>Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" <sup>10</sup>For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. <sup>11</sup>But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. <sup>12</sup>Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" <sup>13</sup>They shouted back, "Crucify him!" <sup>14</sup>Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" <sup>15</sup>So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane

ELW 347

2 Follow to the judgment hall,  
view the Lord of life arraigned;



oh, the wormwood and the gall!  
Oh, the pangs his soul sustained!  
Shun not suff'ring, shame, or loss;  
learn from him to bear the cross.

<sup>16</sup>Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. <sup>17</sup>And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him.

<sup>18</sup>And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" <sup>19</sup>They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. <sup>20</sup>After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

<sup>21</sup>They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. <sup>22</sup>Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). <sup>23</sup>And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. <sup>24</sup>And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

<sup>25</sup>It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup>The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." <sup>27</sup>And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>29</sup>Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, <sup>30</sup>save yourself, and come down from the cross!" <sup>31</sup>In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. <sup>32</sup>Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

<sup>33</sup>When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.

<sup>34</sup>At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>35</sup>When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." <sup>36</sup>And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." <sup>37</sup>Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup>And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. <sup>39</sup>Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane

ELW 347

3 Calv'ry's mournful mountain climb;  
there, adoring at his feet,  
mark that miracle of time,  
God's own sacrifice complete.  
"It is finished!" hear him cry;  
learn from Jesus Christ to die.

<sup>40</sup>There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome.

<sup>41</sup>These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

<sup>42</sup>When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, <sup>43</sup>Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>44</sup>Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some

time. <sup>45</sup>When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. <sup>46</sup>Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. <sup>47</sup>Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where the body was laid.

#### SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

+ SENDING HYMN                      Go to Dark Gethsemane                      ELW 347

4    Early hasten to the tomb,  
      where they laid his breathless clay;  
      all is solitude and gloom.  
      Who has taken him away?  
      Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes.  
      Savior, teach us so to rise.

+ DISMISSAL    Go in the Peace of Christ

POSTLUDE                              Ah, Holy Jesus – Carter

**REMEMBER to bring a flower from your garden to put on  
our Easter Cross next Sunday.**

+ Indicates to stand as you are able. If it is difficult for you to stand please feel free to stay seated or sit back down at any time.

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#### PRINTABLE CHILDREN'S BULLETIN

#### PRAYER LIST:

HEALING: Johanna Locke, Rosie Scott, Kenna Dutil-Baker (Francoise's daughter), Rubi Thomas (Irv's sister-in-law) broken leg, Francoise Dutil (back injury), Vernon Weigand

ILLNESS: Helena Peidrahita (Adriana Garrett's mother), Rev. Anne Whitfield, Connie Rasmussen (Joan Locke's mother) stroke

SAFETY & HEALTH: Health care workers and families affected by COVID.

TREATMENTS: Jamie (John Guerriero's nephew), Tony Hernandez (Michael's brother) cancer, Nancy Richardson (Diana Hernandez's friend) cancer, Preslee Durston (Christine Birtja's niece) leukemia treatments, Bob Mericle – cancer (Pastor Mericle's father)

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Nancy Carnehl (Janna Barnhart's friend) lung lobe removed due to cancer, Denise Thomas– knee surgery, Lance Maters (friend of Pastor Mericle) major hip surgery

HOSPICE: Virginia Gussler (Sunny O'Hara's mother-in-law), Julio Collosi, Faye Heinrich

GRIEVING: Family of Larry Birtja (Christ Birtja's father.)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Maundy Thursday, April 1st  
7:00 pm LIVESTREAM NO IN-PERSON First Communion/Stripping of the Altar  
Sanctuary

Good Friday, April 2nd 1:00 pm IN-PERSON Stations of Cross

Easter Sunday — The Resurrection of Our Lord, April 4th

There will be two worship services :

– Sunrise Worship at 6:30am – join us as the Sun rises to celebrate the Risen Son of God

– Easter Celebration Worship at 10:00am – Families, join us for a festive time of worship as Pastor Jim shares the Easter message. We also have a very special Easter Children's message as well! After each worship service, there will be an Easter Surprise Bag for children (6th grade and under). We will also have a photo location where a church member will take family pictures for free as a gift to you. We will send you along to a second location near the Easter bags, where you can take pictures of your kids with the Easter Bunny.

**REMEMBER to bring a flower from your garden to put on our Easter Cross next Sunday.**

If you would like to make a donation to St. Mark's Lutheran Church just click the link below. Thank you for your generosity.

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You are also welcome to mail in your donation if you prefer not using the internet, our address is:

St. Mark's Lutheran Church  
2323 Las Lomas Drive  
Hacienda Heights, CA, 91745



### Thank You

The Fellowship Committee would like to thank the school for purchasing a new microwave in the kitchen. The microwave is used by both school and church not only to heat food but an important part of fellowship events held in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you so much!

St. Mark's Lutheran



Church & School

St. Mark's Lutheran School,  
preschool – 8<sup>th</sup> grade,  
now accepting applications.

We understand how important choosing the right school is for your student and the family. St. Mark's is open for enrollment. To apply, go to the St. Mark's School website, [www.stmarks.ws](http://www.stmarks.ws), click "About" on the top bar, scroll down to "Enroll", create your account and you will be guided through the application process. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the school office at (626) 968-0428



Food  
Collection

### Social Ministries

Our next Food Drive will be on Saturday, April 24th, from 11:00-12:30. Thank you to our regular donors, and welcome to new comers. The Action Food Pantry really appreciates our participation in their ministry. **Any non-perishable items are acceptable, but they request no glass bottles. They also accept diapers for babies or adults.**



Personal Care Kits: We have already reached our goal! Thanks to you all, we will be able to deliver more than we aimed for.



Ruth Circle bible study will be on Thursday, April 8th, at 7 p.m. Sharon Heck will host our Zoom meeting, and Lynn Yann will lead the Bible study. Our fourth session in "Journeys with Angels" is feasting, funny, alleluia angels. All ladies are invited to join our WELCA group. Just phone or email Sharon. [s.heck4peace@gmail.com](mailto:s.heck4peace@gmail.com) or (562)698-0476. If you need a copy of the study we can get one to you.



### Announcing our 32<sup>nd</sup> St. Mark's Auction -

"Leaving your Paw Prints for Generations to Come "

Mark your Calendar for our 32<sup>nd</sup> St. Mark's Auction! **April 23 - April 25, 2021.**

This year, we will celebrate St. Mark's with a different type of Auction online and a special Virtual Auction Event at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. And, this year, the whole family may sign in to view the online auction and the Virtual Event featuring our staff members, Booster Club members, and maybe some surprise

guests. **Register online today at [www.stmarks.ws/donate](http://www.stmarks.ws/donate)** for one \$25 ticket which entitles you:

- To bid online for Auction items over a three-day period, Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>
- To watch the *SML VIRTUAL AUCTION EVENT* on *Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>* with your family
- To one (1) Raffle Ticket for the SML Tuition Raffle (*redeemable for one student's one month of tuition for the 2021-2022 school year*)

Study <sup>the</sup> Bible  
with us



Zoom Bible Fellowship with Pastor Jim  
on Tuesdays

We will have time to share highs and lows and have a discussion on the Bible readings in the coming week's sermon/readings.

TIMES:

Tuesday at 11 am – Noon

Tuesday at 8pm – 9pm

Readings – [Acts 10:34-43](#) and [Mark 16:1-8](#)

St. Mark's Lutheran Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

**Topic: Bible Fellowship**

Time: March 30th, 2021 11:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

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Topic: Bible Fellowship  
Time: March 30th, 08:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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